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ALLIES WAGING TERRIFIC BATTLE TO RECAPTURE LILLE

IRWIN SITE APPARENTLY FAVORED BY NEWTON ON RETURN TO WASHINGTON

Assistant Secretary of Treasury Will Submit Counter-Proposition—Believed He Hopes for Reduction in Price—Decision Is Expected Within a Few Days—Spreckels in Conference

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 30.—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Byron R. Newton has returned from his trip to Honolulu to investigate the federal building site situation. Apparently he favors the Irwin site. He says that the choice is largely a matter of price. He will submit a counter-proposition.

Mr. Newton promises an early decision, probably in a few days. Mr. Spreckels is here and conferred with Mr. Newton this afternoon.

C. S. ALBERT.

The cablegram above is taken to mean that Assistant Secretary Newton will endeavor to secure the Irwin site at a lower figure than that for which it was offered him when he was here. It is known that the treasury department architects desire to put as much of the \$1,325,000 appropriation as possible into the building itself. Under the bill that passed Congress the site chosen cannot cost more than \$275,000. While the exact figures at which the Irwin site was offered have not been made public, it is believed Mr. Newton was given a figure while here of \$225,000. Another report has had it that the Irwin interests, represented by Former Governor or Premier, offered the site for \$210,000, but this has been denied on good authority.

The figure at which the Spreckels site was offered to Mr. Newton has not been made public, either. Reports say that first the Spreckels site was placed at \$275,000 and later lowered to \$260,000.

The reference to Spreckels in the cablegram is believed to be to "Gus" Spreckels. He lives in New York. The Spreckels heirs, by the way, have an interest not only in the Spreckels site but in the opera house, which is on the Irwin site. Gus and Randolph have a quarter interest in the opera house, John D. and Adolph a half interest. The Irwin estate owning the other quarter interest. Whether the Spreckels heirs, on account of the family differences, would agree upon the disposition of their interests in the opera house was not known when Assistant Secretary Newton left Honolulu.

The outcome of the conference of Spreckels and Newton may be a reduction in the price of the Spreckels site, but advocates of the Irwin site are pretty sure that the federal building will finally sit up on the ground they have argued.

SAY HACKFELD'S WILL BE AGENTS FOR HILL LINER

Great Northern to Come on Honolulu Run About November 1, Is Belief on Coast

HAS CAPT. MATSON GIVEN UP IDEA OF NEW SHIP?

Rodiek and Hagens Deny Any Knowledge of Deal; Tonnage Offered Under Conditions

H. Hackfeld & Company, Ltd., of Honolulu having secured the Hawaiian agency for the Hill liner Great Northern, which will be put on the Honolulu-San Francisco run about November 1, Captain William Matson of the Matson Navigation Company has definitely abandoned his plans for building a new liner the size of the Matsonia, say advices received by the Star-Bulletin from the coast.

On good authority it can be stated that Captain Matson has recently told callers that his plans for a new ship for his line have been definitely given up. The reason he advanced was that he had received official assurance that the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company would put the liner Great Northern on the California-Hawaii run about November 1. Captain Matson has also been quoted as saying that Hackfeld & Company would be Honolulu agents for the Hill company ship.

"It's news to us," said J. F. C. Hagens of Hackfeld & Company, when questioned about the San Francisco report. "We know nothing whatever about it. In fact, we do not know whether the Great Northern is coming to the islands or not."

"See, Waldron," says Rodiek. "The newspapers know more about the matter than I do," was the only comment which George Rodiek would make—adding, "Go and see Fred Waldron."

Captain Matson, as previously announced in the Star-Bulletin, had plans and specifications prepared for a duplicate ship to the Matsonia, and said early this morning that he would sign a contract with the shipbuilders to rush the vessel to completion, provided the sugar shippers would agree to a carrying contract with advanced freight rates. It is now reported that he has abandoned his plans for the new ship, because he is convinced the Great Northern will come to Honolulu.

In connection with the report that Hackfeld's will have the Great Northern agency, it is recalled that that company is reported to have made Cal Stone, the Great Northern traffic manager, an offer of a limited sugar tonnage, when Stone was here a fortnight ago. The sugar was offered, said street rumor, on condition that Hackfeld's be given the company's agency, an offer which Stone is reported to have refused, declaring that if the liner came here the Hill interests would open an office of their own.

CATHOLIC MISSION LOSES DECISION IN TAX APPEAL FIGHT

The decision of the tax appeal court of the third division, fourth judicial circuit, in the matter of the tax appeal of the Catholic Mission of Hilo, was affirmed in a decision handed down in the supreme court today.

According to the decision the appellant returned certain land situated at Hilo at \$14,686. It was assessed at \$40,725 and the lower court sustained the assessment. The appellant contended that the value of the property does not exceed \$24,435. The decision of the tax appeal court is affirmed.

Fears Fishing On Sabbath May Be Against Law

Hawaii Magistrate Asks Attorney-General About Putting Curb on Sportsmen

Can one fish for one's own benefit on Sunday? That is one of the questions that has come to trouble the mind of a district magistrate in Hawaii.

Relative to this subject, a letter has just been received by Attorney-General Stainback, which seeks for a decision from the legal head of the territory, and the attorney-general has turned the letter over to his deputy, Leslie P. Scott, for consideration and answer.

The letter is as follows:

"Kailua, Hawaii, Sept. 24, 1915.

"Hon. L. M. Stainback,

"Attorney-General.

"Dear Sir:—I would like to have an opinion from you as to whether or not fishing for one's own benefit is forbidden by Act 19 of the 1915 session laws.

"JOHN L. KAULUKOU,

"District Magistrate of North Kona, Hawaii."

Deputy Scott smiled when the question was put to him. "Most assuredly," he said, "fishing for one's own benefit isn't labor, and it is labor that Act 19 deals with."

The attorney referred back to the Act, which begins as follows:

"All labor on Sunday is forbidden, excepting works of necessity or mercy, in which is included all labor that is needed for the good order, health, comfort or safety of the community, etc."

"I don't know what some of Honolulu's ardent fishermen would do," says Scott. "If we should put a ban on their Sunday fishing. Try for instance to fancy H. Gooding Field, Arthur Neely, or some of the others going without their favored sport on Sunday. I shall write my decision on the question at once."

CHARLIE CLARK AUTO CASE UP FOR FIFTH TIME AGAIN TOMORROW

Tomorrow morning Charlie Clark, city and county road overseer, is due to appear again before Judge Monaghan and explain why a county road ever since can't be built on the island in a county automobile. Clark is charged with making a festive journey on Sunday, September 12, and the case has been hanging fire ever since. Three times he has appeared in the police court and asked for a postponement, and tomorrow he appears again.

The machine suffered some minor injuries on the trip and on the 13th the day following the journey about the island, Clark was scheduled to appear in court. The case was postponed.

On the 17th he appeared again. The case was postponed.

On the 24th he appeared again. The case was postponed.

On the 1st of October he appears again. Will the case be postponed?

TWO OF BOYISH TRIO ADMIT THEFT; THIRD SAYS "NOT GUILTY"

August Pilares and August Botelho who, with Antonio Duarte, were indicted by the territorial grand jury for second degree burglary, withdrew their former pleas of not guilty and entered pleas of guilty in Circuit Judge Ashford's court today. They will be sentenced at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning. Duarte has not altered his plea.

According to the indictment the three boys, all of whom are Portuguese and who are alleged to be under 21 years of age, were found in a local saloon on Labor Day at three o'clock, and after getting drunk, committed second degree burglary. A "John Doe" warrant was recently sworn to in police court by Liquor License Inspector Fennell for the arrest of the bartender who is alleged to have sold the liquor to the boys.

Belgium has protested to neutral states the action of Germany in tearing up Belgian railroad tracks and transporting it to Poland.

GOT JOAN OF ARC BADLY MIXED UP WITH OLD NOAH

Henry W. Kinney, superintendent of public instruction, tells a good story now and then regarding queer answers to questions which have been found in the examination papers of public school students.

In his latest story, however, Superintendent Kinney "puts one over" on the private schools by reciting a pupil's answer to a question "Who was Joan of Arc?"

The answer, says Superintendent Kinney, was this:

"Joan of Arc was a lady from France who, when it rained, built an ark and put all the animals in it, and counted them out again after the rain had stopped."

PROVES ATTACK ON COMMANDER OF BOAT FALSE

Lieut. K. B. Crittenden Writes San Francisco Examiner Refuting Howell Statement

SAYS LIEUT. EDE HAD MADE 150 DIVES IN F-4

Investigation Board Knows He Did All in His Power to Recover Lost Submarine

Proving false in every detail the assertions made by former Lieut. J. B. Howell, in an address to the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco, that Lieut. Alfred L. Ede, U. S. N., commander of the F-4, who died with his crew, was inexperienced, Lieut. K. B. Crittenden, commanding the first submarine division, today wrote a letter to the San Francisco Examiner, which published the story of Howell's talk before the club. The account was reprinted here by the morning paper.

Lieut. Crittenden's letter is written in behalf of the officers and men of the flotilla, who resent bitterly the reflections cast on both Lieut. Ede and the service by Howell.

Lieut. Crittenden characterizes Howell's statement as a "totally vicious and absolutely unwarranted attack" on the ability of Lieut. Ede. The commander's letter, written today, follows:

FIRST SUBMARINE DIVISION, Torpedo Flotilla, Pacific Fleet, U. S. N. Alert Tender, Honolulu, T. H., Sept. 30, 1915.

Managing Editor, San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:—The division commander and the officers of the submarines stationed in Honolulu were shocked and hurt beyond measure when reading the totally vicious and absolutely unwarranted attack on that brave, efficient and splendid officer, the late Lieut. Alfred L. Ede, U. S. N., by former Lieut. J. B. Howell.

The statement by Mr. Howell that there was no other reason for the sinking of the F-4 in Honolulu than absolute incompetence on the part of the commander, is an absolute and unwarranted falsehood. Lieut. Ede was

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TWO WITNESSES QUIZZED ABOUT CASE OF ABRAMS

Territorial Grand Jury Today Investigates Alleged Trust Company Shortage

The case of Louis Abrams, secretary and a director of the Hawaiian Trust Company, who is charged with embezzlement, was presented to the territorial grand jury by City Attorney A. M. Brown this afternoon.

Alan Davis, an employee of the Hawaiian Trust Company, and L. C. Ables, both expert accountants, were to appear as witnesses before the grand jury, according to Mr. Brown. They were the only witnesses summoned. Although it was reported a few days ago by the city and county attorney's office that J. R. Galt, treasurer and manager of the Hawaiian Trust Company, and other officers of the company might be called as witnesses, they were not summoned today.

According to City Attorney Brown, Davis and Ables have been examining the books of the Hawaiian Trust Company, and especially Mr. Abrams' affairs, regarding a reported shortage in Mr. Abrams' accounts said to amount to more than \$20,000. The complaint, which charges Mr. Abrams with embezzlement, alleges that he fraudulently converted to his own use a Kauai Railroad bond valued at \$1000, the property of Cordelia C. Hartwell.

"I know nothing about any shortage in Mr. Abrams' accounts other than what I have heard," said City Attorney Brown today. "I am in no way interested in the adjustment of any reported losses. However, the payment of the entire amount of the alleged shortage would not bring out the criminal aspect of the case."

The city attorney added that he was asked by the attorneys for the Hawaiian Trust Company to take such steps in the Abrams matter as he saw fit. "I selected what appeared to me to be one of the strongest cases," he explained.

Charles S. Meilin, former president of the New Haven Railroad, declared in an interview at Boston that he favored Germany in the war because of efficiency. John Simon, an American traveling man, arrested in Moscow on suspicion of being a spy, was released.

DR. JUDD WRITES OF WAR'S RAVAGE ON FRENCH FRONT

Honolulu, in Letter to Family, Tells of Work in Hospitals in the War Zone

COUNTRY BEAUTIFUL IN SPITE OF BATTLES

Senlis, However, Shows Signs of Grim Combat and Has Stories of Death

The story of an American physician in the war zone has reached Honolulu from a Honolulu man, Dr. James R. Judd, who with his wife left a few months ago for the French front.

Writing to a member of his family, Dr. Judd gives some unusually graphic glimpses of hospital work. He tells of one incident where the German shelled a field hospital, following it from place to place by means of their excellent spy system.

Dr. Judd's letter is as follows:

Jully, France, Aug. 23, 1915.

Dear

We came out here on Saturday, August 21, leaving the American ambulance at Neuilly with regret. We had made good friends there and had grown very fond of the blossoms in our garden.

Although Jully is only about 23 miles northwest of Paris yet it took us about 2 hours from the Gare du Nord to reach the tiny station of St. Mar. Numerous troop trains having the right of way delayed us. Jully is a village of a few hundred people and does not even have a train service—the station is St. Mar about 2 miles away. You will not be able to find Jully on the map but it is east of Meaux and about one-third of the distance from Paris to Soissons.

We have now been here a week and have gotten somewhat used to our new duties and surroundings. The old castle, founded in the 14th century, is a massive stone building or series of buildings connected together, three stories high with thick walls four and more feet thick, the receiving room, kitchen, sala a manger, store rooms, office and laundry are on the ground floor of the wing used as the

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JAPANESE LINES RAISE FREIGHT RATE \$1 A TON

Increase Applies to O. S. K. Ships and to Nippon Maru of T. K. K. Company

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)—TOKIO, Sept. 30.—The Osaka Shosen Kaisha announced today that they would place two new liners in the American trade. The names of the two boats that will ply from the Orient to Honolulu and San Francisco are Panama Maru and Seattle Maru, designed heretofore for the Puget Sound-Japan run. The new liners will have 6000 tonnage and will compete with the T. K. K. for passengers and freight. The freight rate announced is \$1 a ton more than the present rate on the T. K. K. boats. The Panama will be the first to leave port, sailing from Kobe on October 9 for Honolulu and San Francisco.

The directors of the Mitsui Company gave out the information today that they would run tramp steamers from Yokohama and Kobe to Honolulu and San Francisco. The freight rate made by the Mitsui Company is \$1.50 more per ton than the present rate.

The T. K. K. line announced yesterday afternoon that the freight rate between San Francisco and the Orient would be raised \$1 per ton on the Nippon Maru. This ship is the only one of the line that is not subsidized by the Japanese government. This action was taken on account of the new freight rate of \$1 more per ton which will be the rate on the O. S. K. boats which will go in commission some time in October.

Three More Ships for T. K. K.

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shimpu.)—TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 30.—President Asano of the T. K. K. Company has succeeded in securing three more liners for his company, in addition to the Persia, purchased from the Pacific Mail. Announcement of the names of the ships will be made public in a few days. The addition of the three ships will make eight liners plying between San Francisco, Honolulu and the Orient.

Eight elevators fell in the Bowling Green Building when part of the hydraulic machinery broke. The machines were kept under partial control and no one was seriously injured.

FRENCH AND BRITISH CANNON DOMINATE TOWN; DVINSK NOW MENACED BY GERMAN ATTACK

Allies Claim Offensive Winning Foot-hold on Second Line of German Defense—Teutons to Reinforce

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, England, Sept. 30.—The Allies and Teutons are engaged in a terrific battle today which may result in the recapture of Lille from the Germans. The struggle for possession of Lens offers the possibility of retaking Lille, and the Allies have taken and held high ground where their cannon dominate the town.

It is believed that a terrific attack is raging there today. War observers are speculating as to the probability that the Germans are shifting reinforcements from the eastern front to the hard-pressed troops on the west.

Slashing Attack of the Allies Said to Reach Second German Line

PARIS, France, Sept. 30.—The big offensive movement of the Allies continues today and is steadily gaining ground, according to the announcements based on despatches from the French and British commanders at the front.

South of Ripont the Allies made a slashing attack and captured an important defensive work.

In Champagne the Allies declare they have gained a footing on the German second line of defense. At many points along the line, particularly in the Suippe valley, airmen of the Allies bombarded railroad stations.

A German column is reported to be marching to reinforce the Teutons at Tonnancy.

American Ship Hits Mine, is Lost

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 30.—The American sailing vessel Vincent, after striking a mine off Cape Orloff, in the White Sea, took fire from the explosive and is a total loss. The captain and several of the crew were injured. The Vincent sailed from New York for Archangel, the Russian port, on June 9.

Greece Begins Raising War Funds

ATHENS, Greece, Sept. 30.—The Chamber of Deputies in a special session here today ratified the decree which orders mobilization of the Grecian army. The chamber also authorized a loan of \$30,000,000 for war purposes.

Teutons Resolved to Capture Dvinsk

LONDON, England, Sept. 30.—A rumor today says that Gen. von Hindenberg, bent on capturing the Russian stronghold of Dvinsk, has reinforced heavily and is moving forward.

Germany Admits Loss of Hill 191

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 30.—Official.—The loss of Hill 191, on the west front, is admitted.

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JAPANESE ARMY WILL HAVE BIG MANEUVERS IN NEXT TWO MONTHS

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shimpu.)—TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 30.—Grand maneuvers of the Japanese army will take place some time within the next two months, according to the report given out today by army headquarters. Prince Gen. Kanin, who is an uncle of the Emperor, will be in command of the northern army, and Gen. Oosaka will be the commander of the southern army.

SECOND VICTORY FOR HONOLULU JAPANESE

(Special Cable to Nippon Jiji.)—TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 30.—The Japanese Athletic Club of Honolulu scored the second victory of their present tour by defeating the University of Hoses team yesterday by a score of 6 to 4.

JAPANESE OFFICIALS CONGRATULATE ROLPH

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shimpu.)—SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 30.—H. Yamawaka, chief commissioner of the Japanese government at the exposition, and General Y. Numano today congratulated Mayor James Rolph on his reelection to the mayoralty.

Teaching of English in the public schools of Cuba has been barred.

STORM IN SOUTH DISASTROUS TO LIFE, PROPERTY

New Orleans Isolated From Outside World; Galveston Hopes Worst Has Passed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)—MOBILE, Ala., Sept. 30.—The second great storm of the last few weeks has cost the lower Mississippi section dear, but apparently is passing now.

Communication with New Orleans has been cut off since midnight last night by the storm, but earlier reports told of much property destruction and several deaths.

A wireless from Galveston at midnight indicated that the storm is passing and the water receding from the Texas city. The property damage is heavy but the deaths will not exceed 10.

KOREAN BANK HEAD ILL

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shimpu.)—TOKIO, Japan, Sept. 30.—M. Ishihara, president of the Korean Government Bank, is seriously ill at his home in Seoul.

HEALTH BOARD TO SAVE CITY LOTS OF CASH

Sanitary Inspector Will Report all Leaky Taps and Pipes to Water Department

"By an agreement just consummated between the territorial board of health and the city water and sewer department, a large saving is to be made by the city in the matter of inspections for leakage."

This is a statement made today by Harry E. Murray, general manager of the water and sewer department of the city, who says that a kindly offer from Clifford Charlock, chief sanitary inspector for the territory, will save the city hiring six or eight men for the purpose of continuously hunting for leaks in the system.

A few days ago Mr. Murray wrote to the health department asking if it would be possible for the sanitary inspectors who make inspections of all the houses of the city at frequent intervals, to report to the water department concerning all leaks, irrespective of whether they had to do with the sanitary condition of houses or not. Heretofore the health inspectors have reported only the leaks that might prove a detriment to the health of households.

Mr. Charlock's letter, sent in reply to Mr. Murray's request, states that the board will be very glad to cooperate with the city in the matter for all which the manager of the water and sewer systems says he is sincerely grateful. "Besides the saving in the cost of enough inspectors to keep the work going, we will also have a big saving in the water itself," says Mr. Murray. "The various water systems in this county leak very easily, anyway, and need constant watching."

Two reasons are advanced by the water manager as possible causes of this leakage. One reason is that the pressure in some parts of the city is very high, the other is that something in the water itself causes deterioration of the rubber valves.

The Swedish Minister of Finance is reported to have expressed regret that Sweden was subscribing to the German war loan when Sweden herself needs capital.

A grain elevator to cost about \$5,000,000 will be built at Norfolk by the Norfolk & Western Railroad.

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